

DEBATE ON BONUS BILL NEARS END

Senate Enters on Final Discussion of Motion to Recommit

WALSH, OF MASS., WARNS

By the Associated Press Washington, July 15.—The Senate entered today on four hours' final debate over voting on a recommendation of the bonus bill, as introduced by Senator Walsh, Democrat, Mass., asserting that the recommendation would be "a humiliating spectacle."

Far East Parley an Assured Fact

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The fact accomplishes tremendous compulsion. There is to be a conference on the Pacific in which all the other great powers will join. Can Japan stay out? If she does, and the other four powers agree on policies respecting the Far East of which she does not approve, she has not only isolated herself diplomatically but she has arrayed herself in opposition to four great cooperating powers.

Plan Equinox in Asia

One of the objects of this conference is to end Japan's special position in Asia and replace it with equality of opportunity there for all. One step in ending Japan's special position in Asia is to end the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

Lloyd George a Middle Man

If Lloyd George had co-operated fully with Wilson in such a peace would have resulted there would be no Lloyd George abroad to obtain. But Lloyd George acted as a middle man seeking compromises between Wilson and Clemenceau, now on one side, now on the other, and always bearing in mind his own special aims and objects as Premier of England.

TARIFF AMENDMENT UP

House Considers Plan to Remove Hides from Free List

Washington, July 15.—(By A. P.)—Taking up the Fordney tariff bill for committee amendments, the House considered first today a proposal by the Ways and Means Committee to remove hides from the free list and impose an ad valorem duty of 15 per cent.

TOKIO PRESS INDORSES HARDING'S PROPOSAL

Tokio, July 15.—(By A. P.)—The newspapers this morning pay high tribute to the initiative of President Harding in proposing a conference of the great Powers on the limitation of armaments. They declare the moment is opportune to study ways to lighten the world's crushing burden of armament expenditures.

Popular enthusiasm is noticeably tempered, however, by the failure of Japanese statesmen to arrange a prompt renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and by the feeling that Japan may have to face a powerful Anglo-American combination in the suggested conference on Far Eastern affairs, with the Chinese in the background as a diplomatic force to be reckoned with.

Isolation of Japan Now Feared in Tokio

Tokio, July 15.—(By A. P.)—Alarm at the possible isolation of Japan as the result of international moves toward disarmament is indicated by Japanese newspapers. The Osaka Asahi Shimbun, which says: "It is impossible to escape the conclusion that England places more importance on the friendship of the Americans than on that of the Japanese."

"China's anti-Japanese sentiment is as strong as ever. Moreover, she steadily is gravitating toward the country across the Pacific, which has many questions to settle with Japan. England is doing all she can to win the friendship of the Chinese. What can this mean but that Japan will be placed in a position of isolation?"

quarters is typified by an editorial in the Osaka Asahi Shimbun. After remarking that the outstanding fact is the proposed inclusion of China in the Pacific conference, the editorial declares that evidence that Japan is facing isolation is furnished by the negotiations for renewal of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.

"The fundamental cause for postponement of the renewal," the editorial asserts, "is the disinclination of the English to renew the alliance at the cost of the friendship and good will of the Americans. If it ever is renewed, it will be after the termination of the Harding conference, and its contents would merely supplement the decisions of the conference."

Former Premier Okuma has issued a statement praising the courage of President Harding in inaugurating a historical move which is certain to be greatly beneficial to the Japanese people.

In welcoming the idea of the conference, Baron Yoshiro Sakatani, former Finance Minister, said the extent of the limitation of armaments was so closely connected with consideration of the balance of power in the Pacific, as well as with the industrial capacities of the different powers, that the conclusion of a practical agreement would, in his view, be attended with difficulty.

President Fujimura, of the Tokio Chamber of Commerce, said that President Harding's call met the ideas of the Japanese business world. "Much is being said about the desirability of Japan to prove to the world that she is sincerely ambitious to promote peace."

London, July 15.—(By A. P.)—Discussion of President Harding's proposed disarmament conference by newspapers here testifies to sustained interest in the subject. The question of a preliminary meeting to be held in London, was given prominence by a number of newspapers here today, which printed long dispatches from Washington, most of which indicated such a preliminary meeting would not be favored in America. It was argued in some quarters that the idea should be abandoned.

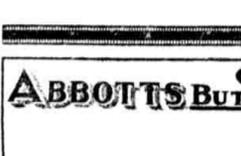
The view that it was improbable the Washington parley could be held in November, if the Pacific question was to be discussed in conjunction with the limitation of armaments, was expressed by the Daily Mail. The newspaper declared that neither Australia nor New Zealand would be willing to have Pacific matters discussed at any meeting at which they were not directly represented. The political engagements of both Premier Hughes, of Australia, and Massey, of New Zealand are such as not to allow them to leave their respective countries before next spring.

The British League of Nations Union, which is working in support of the league, is anxious not to appear to support any intelligent protagonist of the league. It has issued through Lord Robert Cecil, a statement that the Union feels a great satisfaction over Mr. Harding's action.

"The idea that there can exist any incompatibility or rivalry between the two efforts for the same end," the statement declared, "will receive no support from any intelligent protagonist of the league. This Union desires to associate itself with virtually all British subjects in expressing satisfaction over this new move for peace and in extending congratulations to President Harding for his courageous and statesmanlike initiative."

Boetie Quarantine Violated Harrisburg, July 15.—The first action for failure to observe the regulations laid down for combating the Japanese beetle will be instituted by the State in the vicinity of Philadelphia. J. G. Sanders, director of the Bureau of Plant Industry, who is in charge of the quarantine, reported to the Attorney General produce had been hauled out of the infected area without inspection.

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POMERENE PLEADS FOR U. S. THRIFT

Ohio Senator Tells Bankers to Combat Huge War Expenditure

LOAD STAGGERS BUSINESS

By the Associated Press Cleveland, July 15.—Declaring that as the banks had set the pace during the World War period for the greatest thrift movement America had ever known, they should now exert their influence in behalf of governmental and home economy. United States Senator Pomerene, of Ohio, today urged the members of the Ohio Bankers' Association in convention here to make strong declaration for a reduction in expenditures and consequent relief for the people from excessive taxation.

Senator Pomerene objected to the proposed large appropriations for the army and navy, declaring the latter especially not to be justified in view of present world conditions. "If there ever was a time in the history of the country when our expenditures should be kept within the revenue it is now, when business everywhere is staggering under the load," Senator Pomerene said.

"Much is being said about the deplorable condition of the farmers, but the farmers are in no worse condition than are the manufacturers of the country or the laborers. In fact the latter are in worse condition than either the farmers or the manufacturers. "Here in Ohio approximately 40 per cent of the men are idle. You cannot have great appropriations bills without adding to the taxes which burden us, and you cannot add taxes without increasing the cost of living. Under present stagnant conditions how are we to raise the proposed billion three hundred and fifty million dollars for the war and navy budgets for 1922, and why, with no prospects of war, should it be attempted?"

Mayor Will Hold Public Gas Hearings

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Interpreted not only by members of Council but by taxpayers and gas consumers as well. Nothing has been done to throw all possible light upon the subject, which is of vital interest to the people of Philadelphia.

Gas Company Heard

"The gas company presented its side of the case in its representative's testimony before the committee, and were questioned by councilmen and citizens attending the meeting. I feel that Council was very deliberate in considering the gas question, and also that every consideration was shown to those who would be affected by any changes to the 1887 lease.

"However, if it is possible to throw additional light on this all-important matter, such opportunity should be given, and for this reason I welcome the public hearings in the Mayor's office," Councilman Cox, who voted for the increase, agreed with the Council president.

"The Mayor is to be commended for what he has done in the matter of calling public meetings," he commented. "That is the safest way for him and he is well within his rights and has the authority to get the views of everybody before taking action on so important a question."

Councilman Pommer said: "The public hearings suit me. That's the Mayor's prerogative."

Councilman Montgomery, chairman of the Transportation and Public Utilities Committee, believes the Mayor should have attended the committee's meetings on gas.

"Why didn't he attend?" Montgomery asked. "He was invited. I think further hearings are unnecessary."

The chairman said the Mayor has been invited to attend a meeting of the committee next Wednesday afternoon when the Frankford L. lease will be considered.

Council granted the ten-cent increase by a vote of 13 to 8, the higher price to be effective for one year after the ordinance becomes a law.

The final vote, after hours of pulling and hauling over a dozen or more amendments, was an interesting revelation of the comparative strength of Councilmen Hall, and Weglein.

Weglein and Hall Differ These men, guiding stars of the combine majority, differed in the matter of affording relief to the U. G. I. The Council president wanted a continuation of the present \$1 rate with the company keeping 87 1/2 cents instead of the 75 cents it now retains.

When the Hall proposition finally was reached it was supported by these members: Councilmen Buchholz, Connell, Cox, Frankford, Gaffney, Hall, Hetzell, Limeburner, McConch, McKimley, Montgomery, Pommer and Walter.

Those who voted against the Hall plan were: Councilmen Burch, Derelin, Gans, Hoin, Patton, Roper, Von Tague and Weglein.

The balloting broke factional lines. Mr. Limeburner, for example, of the Weglein power group, voted with Hall on the \$1.10 plan, although previously he had voted for the

Weglein amendment, which was beaten 10 to 8. Mr. Weglein, in Council stated he would move a resolution for the employment of accountants to investigate the books of the U. G. I. Co. The purpose, he said, is to learn just where the company stands financially and to what extent it is losing money under the agreement which is to be superseded by the new plan voted yesterday.

The U. G. I. Company will only break even with the new \$1.10 rate, according to a statement issued by Samuel T. Bodine, president of the company. The statement follows:

"The temporary relief afforded by the ordinance should be considered in connection with the following facts: "From the increased income of \$4,000,000 for one year must be deducted the increased cost of making 600 B. T. U. gas as compared with 530 B. T. U. gas—about \$1,200,000—making the relief equal to \$2,800,000—our estimated loss for this year under the 530 B. T. U. standard."

"However, should this ordinance become a law, we will accept the temporary relief in the spirit in which it is offered, and we will continue our efforts to provide our customers with good service."

Politico-Religious Fight Over Revision

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since 1881 they have received \$10,487,239 from the State Treasury. Of this amount there has been given, according to figures quoted before the Supreme Court, to Catholics, \$8,000,000; to Protestants, \$1,000,000; to Jews, \$1,000,000.

The Anti-Sectarian Appropriation Association of Pennsylvania has been formed to combat the proposed movement. Its membership is confined to citizens of this State. Its president is Luther S. Kauffman, an attorney in the Victoria Building, 1920 he was a candidate for Congressman-at-Large on the Prohibition ticket.

Associated with him, and members of

the organization, are F. O. Menamin and Evan B. Lewis, attorneys, who have appeared with Mr. Kauffman in all legal proceedings as associate counsel.

These men give their services to the association without cost or compensation. I am informed. This is to avoid the charge that they are actuated by any other than patriotic motives.

The Anti-Sectarian Appropriation Association has a membership of upward of 1000 scattered through the State. It is not a secret order. The members pay regular dues and fees.

However, and herein it claims pre-eminence; it is indorsed and sustained by the patriotic organizations of the State.

What value is to be attached to this is problematical. The estimated membership in all the patriotic secret societies in Pennsylvania varies from 250,000 to 300,000. This is exclusive of certain Protestant secret religious organizations.

A new angle to this problem is the strength of the various Jewish and Catholic societies and sodalities. Any universal movement, such as outlined above, will unquestionably cause a revival of interest among those that will augment their membership, for or against.

Among the Contributors

The following organizations have indorsed and contributed funds to the movement which resulted in the Supreme Court's decision: One hundred and forty-five commanderies of the Knights of Malta. One hundred and seventy-four camps of the Patriotic Sons of America. Fifty-two councils of the Fraternal Patriotic Americans.

Fifty councils Order of Independent Americans. Seventeen lodges of Loyal Orange-men. Nineteen councils of the Sons and Daughters of Liberty.

Fourteen camps of P. O. of A. One hundred and nine Jr. Order of United American Mechanics. No Presbyterian synods, Baptist as-

sociations, Lutheran ministeriums, Methodist religious brotherhoods, Catholic sodalities, Y. M. C. A.'s or Young Women's Christian Associations or the numerous other religious and sectarian societies and organizations have contributed either indorsement or financial aid to the work of the Anti-Sectarian Appropriation Association.

Many of them have received appropriations. It is hardly to be expected that they would indorse a movement that knocks the financial props from beneath them.

The coming fight is to be waged over Article III, section 18, of the Constitution of Pennsylvania, which is as follows: No appropriation, except for pensions or gratuities for military services, shall be made for any charitable, educational or benevolent or denominational or sectarian institution, corporation or association.

Those who favor continuing appropriations from the State Treasury to what are designated as religious and sectarian institutions will vote in favor of a constitutional convention.

See Benefit in Convention

The only way that these appropriations may be continued is by wiping out the offending clause or modifying it so that it will be harmless. This can be done by a new constitutional convention.

They are averse to any change in the fundamental law. Their votes will register their desire to retain the constitution as it is. The present constitution prohibits sectarian appropriations. A constitutional convention might change this.

Curiously enough, the two big political leaders in Pennsylvania Republican politics are at odds, and have been, on this question.

Senator Penrose has from the first consistently opposed any revision of the Constitution.

"I can see no necessity for it. The present Constitution has served us admirably, and on general principles I am opposed to any changes in the fundamental law of the Commonwealth," said the Senator in a conversation with me at the time when the question of a Constitutional Convention was being forced to the front.

It is possible that with his characteristic straightforwardness the Senator sensed the commotion that was to follow the proposition.

Governor Sproul regards the Constitutional Convention as a necessity. He is of the opinion that we should have a document that is abreast of the times. His object in having the Legislature permit him to name twenty-five members of the convention was that he might appoint the members of the conference called last year to discuss the practicability of a new Constitution.

Equally important will be the election of delegates to the convention in September. There will be three from each congressional district, one of whom must be of the minority party.

There will be a bitter struggle to secure delegates. Every candidate in the State will be grilling us to his position on the sectarian question.

Circular letters by the tens of thousands are going through the mail now. In the event that the vote of the State is in favor of holding a Constitutional Convention, legal proceedings will then anti-sectarian appropriations associations.

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